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This Public Notice is being issued to provide guidance on grandfathering of work authorized under the existing Regional General Permits (RGPs) that expire on December 31, 2004. These include RGPs 197800056, 197800080, 197800125, 198000291, 198200030, 198200079, 198200277, 198500194, 199200297 and 199602878.

The Wilmington District Corps of Engineers issued a Public Notice on April 12, 2004, soliciting comments on our proposal to reissue these RGPs. We are presently working to resolve all issues raised during the Public Notice process. It is our intention to reissue these RGPs, with some modification, by December 31, 2004, or shortly thereafter.

Those applicants receiving written verification from the Corps on or before December 31, 2004, that their work is authorized under the existing RGPs will have until December 31, 2005, to complete the authorized work.

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